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THEY CANNOT ESCAPE THE BLAME

No matter what the Democrats may say, they are responsible for the present situation. It is sickening to have our guardsmen go South without proper equipment; it is worse that many of them must remain in camp awaiting equipment. Belated enthusiasm and large appropriations do not atone for a record that is as dismal as it is glib.

The public is accustomed to the dark ways of the Administration, of course. The promise of "pitiless publicity" for its policies and projects, it gave so graciously upon taking control of the Government, has certainly not been honored in the observance during the bewildering process of Mexican relations from bad to worse. At every stage, it has blundered first and vouchsafed clumsy explanations afterwards.—Providence Journal.

Mr. Wilson should understand this: The country will not be influenced in the coming election by his words but by his deeds. He is in position to act. If he had performed to the satisfaction of the people he would have no fear of the result. It is because he knows he has not acquitted himself satisfactorily that he resorts to political campaigning at a time when he should address himself solely to the patriotic work assigned to him.

Those "liars" from whom the President said he got his information about Mexico are perhaps the gentlemen referred to in John Lind's report to the State Department—now belatedly made public. Referring to a certain class of Mexicans, Gov. Lind wrote: "They are the most voluble and plausible liars that I ever came in contact with."

A sure way to reach Carranza's heart is to lend him money. He is running short of ammunition anyway and it takes money to buy gunpowder.—Pendleton (Ore.) Tribune.

The American people admire force, decision and intelligent direction. But this is not the habit of the present administration.—Racine (Wis.) Journal-News.

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As a stimulus to road building and improving, the motor speedways in various parts of the country seem to be playing a decidedly prominent part. Evidence of this fact is found in the experience of the managers of the new Cincinnati Speedway, which is to be inaugurated with a 300-mile, \$30,000 race under the auspices of the A. A. A. on Labor Day, September 4, in connection with the big event. As soon as work had progressed sufficiently far on the new two-mile course to make it certain that the inaugural would take place as scheduled, the County Commissioners of Hamilton County, in which Cincinnati is located, immediately began a survey of the various roads leading to the Speedway, ascertaining just what improvements were needed to place these highways in the best possible touring condition for the big event. When the necessary data had been secured contracts were let for the improvement, and the work now is being pushed as rapidly as possible in order that all Hamilton county roads leading to the Speedway will be in first class condition by September 1.

Advices received from various sections on the Dixie Highway also bring assurances of activity in the improvement line, due to a desire on the part of hundreds of motorists in the South to tour along the Highway to Cincinnati for the big race and for the Dixie Highway convention and exposition which will be held in Cincinnati from September 1 to 9.

FLOUR PROBE IS IN BALANCE—GOVERNMENT IS CONDUCTING INQUIRY INTO INCREASED BREAD COST.

Washington, August 11—Whether there shall be a Federal investigation of the high cost of flour and prospective increase in bread prices depends largely on the report of Commissioner Hurley, now in Chicago, making informal inquiries for the Federal Trade Commission.

Mr. Hurley went to Chicago particularly to seek definite information at the headquarters of the National Bakers' Association concerning statements during the association's convention at Salt Lake City that the price of bread soon would be increased. Officials of the commission said today, however, that they would look into the general question of flour and bread prices.

Copies of a resolution passed by the master bakers at Salt Lake City calling on Congress to place an embargo on flour exports, were received by mail today by Vice President Marshall and Speaker Clark, but there is no prospect of action on them. The constitutionality of export embargoes long has been a moot question.

GERMAN CASUALTIES DURING MONTH OF JULY TOTAL 122,540

London, August 11—German casualties during July, according to a table compiled here from the German casualty list, totaled 122,540, bringing the grand total since the commencement of the war, taken from the same source, to 3,135,177.

The wounded remaining with their units are given as 9,614.

TRUE INWARDNESS OF THE VERA CRUZ INCIDENT.

In the Spring of 1914, occurred the capture of Vera Cruz. Men from one of our ships had been arrested at Tampico and had been discharged with an apology. But our Admiral demanded a salute, which was refused. Thereupon the President went to Congress, asking authority to use the armed forces of the United States. Without waiting for the passage of the resolution, Vera Cruz was seized. It appeared that a shipload of ammunition for Huerta was about to enter that port. There was a natural opposition to this invasion and a battle occurred in which nineteen Americans and over a hundred Mexicans were killed. This, of course, was war. Our dead soldiers were praised for dying like heroes in a war of service. Later, we retired from Vera Cruz, giving up this noble warfare. We had not obtained the salute which was demanded. We had not obtained reparation for affronts. The ship with ammunition which could not land at Vera Cruz had soon landed at another port, and its cargo was delivered to Huerta without interference. Recently the naked truth was admitted by a Cabinet officer. We are now informed that "we did not go to Vera Cruz to force Huerta to salute the flag." We are told that we went there "to show Mexico that we were in earnest in our demand that Huerta must go." That is, we seized Vera Cruz to depose Huerta. The question of the salute was a mere pretext.—From Mr. Hughes' speech of acceptance.

Even when a man is hitched to his wife's apron strings there is no law against his hurrahing for the "palladium of our liberties."

Of course man has other little foibles, but he never wears awnings-striped pants.

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